

EXHIBIT D

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13. PAGE 43:06 TO 43:19 (RUNNING 00:00:35.556)

06 Q. Did you do any work on command-line
 07 interfaces while you were at Cisco?
 08 A. Yes.
 09 Q. What work did you do on command-line
 10 interfaces at Cisco?
 11 A. When we ported native IOS from routers to
 12 switches, that was a project I was leading from a
 13 product management perspective^., we had to address
 14 things like interface ranges; we also brought out
 15 the first identity based network and access system
 16 for switches and so it was the 802.1 ex-protocol
 17 implementation.
 18 We were extremely creative with our
 19 taxonomy on the CLI.

14. PAGE 44:19 TO 45:11 (RUNNING 00:00:52.266)

19 In what way did that process involve
 20 creativity in the naming process?
 21 A. You had to figure out what you wanted the
 22 CLI to say, how were people going to enter onto a
 23 specific port and configure that port to recognize
 24 that it was supposed to not forward by default, but
 25 instead quarantine the traffic until it received a
 00045:01 MAC layer authentication from the first hop adjacent
 02 hubs.
 03 Q. And there would be more than one way to do
 04 that?
 05 A. You could do authentication via user name
 06 password; you could bypass that and use MAC address;
 07 you could use the OID of the MAC address; I could
 08 take the third octave of the requested ID address
 09 and transpose that with the V line number.
 10 All of these became configurable options
 11 over time.

15. PAGE 45:12 TO 45:15 (RUNNING 00:00:09.682)

12 Q. How did you choose which one of those
 13 options to go with?
 14 A. Whoever was going to write the biggest PO
 15 the fastest and what that customer wanted.

16. PAGE 45:16 TO 46:01 (RUNNING 00:00:37.820)

16 Q. Was there a choice involved in what seemed
 17 the most natural for the user?
 18 A. Always. You had to -- you wanted it to be
 19 intuitive; you wanted to find a way to -- the people
 20 wouldn't have to think about what command to enter,
 21 that it would be natural to them. The analogy I
 22 often use is that of a telephone dial; you want it
 23 to be familiar.
 24 Q. Are you familiar with something called the
 25 parser-police at Cisco?
 00046:01 A. Yes.

17. PAGE 46:09 TO 46:11 (RUNNING 00:00:05.040)

09 Q. You had a different perspective than the
 10 parser-police?
 11 A. Very much so.

18. PAGE 46:17 TO 46:22 (RUNNING 00:00:16.760)

17 Q. The fact that you disagreed with what the
 18 parser-police was doing, would you agree that that
 19 speaks to the fact that reasonable minds can differ

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20 with respect to what the best CLI command is in any
 21 given instance?
 22 A. Yes.

19. PAGE 72:09 TO 73:01 (RUNNING 00:00:53.344)

09 Q. What's the benefit to a customer in not
 10 having to operationally retrain its data center
 11 staff?
 12 A. You keep the U.S. financial system up and
 13 running.
 14 Q. What do you mean by that?
 15 A. Because if I screwed it up, I'd crash the
 16 entire New York Stock Exchange, NASDAQ and every
 17 major financial up in the world. That's what
 18 happens when you screw up on a network device. The
 19 fundamental difference between a network element and
 20 a server is you crash a server, you lose one device.
 21 I screw up a switch, I lose 48 servers. I screw up
 22 a routing protocol, I can crash your entire network.
 23 It could bring AT&T down. That's why you want it
 24 operationally consistent, so you don't cause network
 25 outages and cause financial distress in the global
 00073:01 economy.

20. PAGE 73:07 TO 73:11 (RUNNING 00:00:21.591)

07 Q. If Arista went to an investment bank in
 08 the financial services sector and wanted to sell
 09 switches to that bank, couldn't Arista provide
 10 training in a new CLI to that bank as part of its
 11 package to sell new switches?

21. PAGE 73:15 TO 74:07 (RUNNING 00:00:51.840)

15 THE WITNESS: I went driving in
 16 New Zealand six months before I left Arista. I was
 17 driving on back roads. It was Christmas Day. It
 18 was quite fun.
 19 THE REPORTER: Slow down a little bit.
 20 THE WITNESS: I turned around a corner and
 21 there was a camper van head-on at me, which way did
 22 I turn?
 23 I turned right like any person driving in
 24 North America or anywhere in the world except about
 25 six countries does, and when I did that I collided
 00074:01 head-on with a camper van. It's muscle memory. 15
 02 to 20 years of engrained expertise typing right map,
 03 typing show config, typing show interface; the same
 04 commands that every vendor in our industry uses.
 05 And, yeah, you don't want to crash head-on
 06 with a camper van; it's in not pretty, messed up my
 07 Ford Fiesta.

22. PAGE 74:22 TO 74:23 (RUNNING 00:00:04.849)

22 Q. Arista could approach Cisco for -- for a
 23 license to its CLI, correct?

23. PAGE 75:03 TO 75:05 (RUNNING 00:00:04.969)

03 THE WITNESS: I suppose they could, but I
 04 kept seeing it called industry standard CLI
 05 everywhere I looked.

24. PAGE 75:07 TO 75:09 (RUNNING 00:00:05.223)

07 Q. Did Arista ever approach Cisco for a
 08 CLI -- for a license to its CLI?
 09 A. Not to my knowledge.

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